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RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
RE: TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF REDEVELOPER  
PARCEL RD-71A SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA  
PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56

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WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority, hereinafter referred to as the "Authority," has entered into a contract for loan and capital grant with the Federal Government under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, which contract provides for financial assistance in the hereinafter identified project; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-56, hereinafter referred to as the "Project Area," has been duly reviewed and approved in full compliance with local, State and Federal law; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of the conditions that are imposed in the undertaking and the carrying out of urban renewal projects with Federal financing assistance under said Title I, including those prohibiting discrimination because of race, color, sex, religion or national origin; and

WHEREAS, the Emmanuel Gospel Center has expressed an interest in and has submitted as satisfactory proposal for the development of Disposition Parcel RD-71A, in the South End Urban Renewal Area; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of Chapter 781 of the Acts and Resolves of 1972 with respect to minimizing and preventing damages to the environment:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

1. That the Emmanuel Gospel Center be and hereby is tentatively designated as Redeveloper of Disposition Parcel RD-71A in the South End Urban Renewal Area subject to:
  - (a) Concurrence in the proposed disposal transaction by the Department of Housing and Urban Development;
  - (b) Publication of all public disclosure and issuance of all approvals required by the Massachusetts General Laws and Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended;
  - (c) Submission within ninety (90) days in a form satisfactory to the Authority of:
    - (i) Evidence of the availability of necessary equity funds; and
    - (ii) Evidence of firm financial commitments from banks or other lending institutions; and
    - (iii) Final Working Drawings and Specifications; and
    - (iv) Proposed construction and rental schedules.
2. That disposal of Parcel RD-71A by negotiation is the appropriate method of making the land available for development.

3. That it is hereby found that the Emmanuel Gospel Center possesses the qualifications and financial resources necessary to undertake development of the land in accordance with the Urban Renewal Plan.
4. That it is hereby found and determined that the proposed development will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.
5. That the Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of the proposed transaction in accordance with Section 105 (E) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, including information with respect to the Redeveloper's Statement for Public Disclosure (Federal Form H-60004).



February 28, 1974

MEMORANDUM

TO: BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
FROM: ROBERT T. KENNEY, DIRECTOR  
SUBJECT: SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA (MASS. R-56)  
TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF DEVELOPER  
PARCEL RD-71A  
26 Newland Street

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**Summary:** This memorandum requests that the Authority tentatively designate Emmanuel Gospel Center as developer of Parcel RD-71A in the South End Urban Renewal Area.

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The Emmanuel Gospel Center, presently located at 84 West Dedham Street, will have to relocate its facilities to accomodate the Emergency Tenants' Council's elderly housing complex. On April 27, 1972, the Emmanuel Gospel Center, Inc. was tentatively designated developer of Parcel RD-71. The Center has expressed interest in acquiring the abutting property, Parcel RD-71A for use as a garage for the Center's use. The Center is involved with both counselling and food and clothing distribution in the area, necessitating the use of an automobile.

Parcel RD-71A is approximately 650 square feet in area with frontage on Newland Street in the South End. The Center would construct a one-story garage on the vacant land. The construction would be coinciding with the rehabilitation of the adjacent building. The construction will be carried out in accordance with Authority standards and guidelines. The Center expects to sustain the development cost with contributions received from an active fund raising program.

I, therefore, recommend that the Emmanuel Gospel Center, Inc. be tentatively designated developer of Parcel RD-71A in the South End Urban Renewal Area.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.